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# **FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Filing Date	November 19, 2003
First Named Inventor	Leslie DOTSON
Examiner Name	Franklin, Jamara Alzaida
Art Unit	2876
Attorney Docket No.	2219.0030001

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
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**Fee Description**

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**Small Entity**

**Fee (\$)**

**Fee (\$)**

Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

200

100

Multiple dependent claims

360

180

**Total Claims**

**Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

23 - 20 or HP = 3 x 50.00 = 150.00

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In re application of:  
Leslie DOTSON  
Appl. No.: 10/716,178  
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For: **Foldable Keyboard Assembly**

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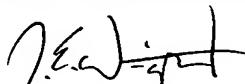
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